

RESOLUTION NO. 04-009

RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS'  
INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST  
(CITT) RECOMMENDING TO THE BOARD OF  
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (BCC) THAT THE  
BCC APPROVE THE PROPOSED BUS SERVICE  
IMPROVEMENT FIVE-YEAR ACTION PLAN,  
AND AMEND THE PTP ACCORDINGLY

**WHEREAS**, on November 5, 2002, the voters of Miami-Dade County approved a one-half percent surtax to fund the implementation of the People's Transportation Plan (PTP); and

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance 02-116, included an increase in bus service over a five-year period; and

**WHEREAS**, on June 23, 2003, the CITT approved a recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) to implement an accelerated three-year plan, which was subsequently accepted by the BCC, and the PTP amended accordingly; and

**WHEREAS**, County staff determined that the three-year plan was having a negative impact on the MDT budget, as reported to the CITT in a memorandum dated December 1, 2003; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to revert back to the original five-year plan that was approved as a part of Ordinance 02-116; and

**WHEREAS**, this Trust desires to accomplish the purposes outlined in the accompanying OCITT Executive Director's memorandum, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITIZENS'**

**INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST**, that this CITT recommends to the BCC that the BCC approve the Proposed Bus Service Improvement Five-Year Action Plan, and amend the PTP accordingly.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Henry Lee Givens, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Luis Morse and upon being put to vote, the vote was as follows:

Honorable John Cosgrove, Chairperson	Aye		
Marc A. Buoniconti, Vice Chairperson	Aye		
Honorable Mike Abrams	Aye	Yolanda Aguilar	Aye
Harold Braynon, Jr.	Aye	LtCol Antonio Colmenares	Absent
Henry Lee Givens	Aye	Franklin Kelly	Aye
Thamara Labrousse	Absent	Honorable Luis Morse	Aye
Herminio Lorenzo	Aye	Miles Moss	Aye
Honorable James Reeder	Aye	Rev. Theodore Wilde	Aye

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 25<sup>th</sup> day of February 2004.

CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT  
TRANSPORTATION TRUST

Approved by County Attorney as  
to form and legal sufficiency B. L.

By:   
Executive Director

**Office of the  
Citizens' Independent  
Transportation Trust**

# Memo

**To:** Hon. Chair and Members, CITT  
**From:** Hilda M. Fernandez, Executive Director  
**Date:** February 19, 2004  
**Re:** MDT Bus Service Improvement Five-Year Action Plan

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the Citizens' Independent Transportation Trust (CITT) approve Miami-Dade Transit's (MDT) five-year implementation schedule for the attached bus service improvements of the People's Transportation Plan (PTP).

**BACKGROUND:**

The PTP Ordinance 02-116, approved on July 9, 2002, included the increase of bus service from 27 million annual miles to approximately 44 million annual miles (approx. 17 million miles of additional service) over a five-year period. Shortly after the passage of the sales tax, on November 5, 2002, the County decided to accelerate the PTP bus service improvements and adopted a three-year (3) implementation plan. This three-year implementation plan was brought before the CITT and approved on June 23, 2003. The BCC approved an amendment to the PTP on September 9, 2003, to reflect the three year bus service improvement schedule, Resolution No. 965-03.

In December 2003, it was determined by the County that the three-year implementation plan was negatively impacting MDT's budget and decided it was necessary to revert to the original five-year plan for a more efficient implementation of the bus service improvement. In fiscal year 2003, 4.5 million revenue miles of bus service were added to the transit bus system. The remaining balance of the new 17 million miles of service will be completed as follows:

- FY 2004 – 2.1 million annualized revenue miles
- FY 2005 – 3.3 million annualized revenue miles
- FY 2006 – 3.6 million annualized revenue miles
- FY 2007 – 3.5 million annualized revenue miles

Additionally, MDT is currently working with the Center for Urban Transportation Research (CUTR), and they are conducting a comprehensive analysis of all bus routes in order to improve the efficiency and productivity of the transit system. This report may result in further amendments to the PTP.

The OCITT completed a comparison of the Five-Year Plan with the previously approved Three-Year Plan to verify that the attached bus service improvements reflect those already authorized in the PTP. The proposed Five-Year Plan mirrors the previously approved Three-Year Plan, with the exception of the following:

Route	Current Three-Year Plan	Proposed Five-Year Plan
91	Re-structure route to serve the future Northeast Bus Terminal	Extend Alternate trips to Aventura Mall

In addition, in response to the proposed discontinuation of 24-hour Metrorail and Metromover, MDT is proposing the creation of Route 500 to serve the approximately 250 customers currently using this overnight service. This route would be implemented with the April, 2004 line up.

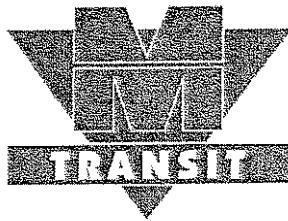
Further, this item has been reviewed by the Project Review Committee and is being forwarded with a favorable recommendation.

As always, please feel free to contact us if additional information is requested.

cc: Hon. John F. Cosgrove, Chair  
Bruce Libhaber, Esq.  
Carlos F. Bonzon, Ph.D., P.E., Surface Transportation Manager  
Roosevelt Bradley, Director, MDT

Attachment : OCITT

**MIAMI-DADE**



**MEMORANDUM**

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<b>TO:</b>	Chairperson and Members, Citizens Independent Transportation Trust (CITT)	<b>DATE:</b>	February 11, 2004
<b>FROM:</b>	Roosevelt Bradley, Director Miami-Dade Transit <i>for MBusbonah</i>	<b>SUBJECT:</b>	Bus Service Improvement Five- Year Action Plan ( <b>REVISED</b> )

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The Bus Service Improvement Five-Year Action Plan (Memo dated January 29, 2004) presented at the February 4, 2004 CITT Project Review Committee, should be replaced with the attached revised Plan.

The revised Plan has been corrected to reflect the following:

Two improvements that were in the three year plan but not in the five year plan were inadvertently omitted:

Saga Bay/Goulds: improve peak headway from 20 to 15 minutes	Implementation date: 2007
North Dade Connection: improve off peak headway from 60 to 30 minutes	Implementation date 2007

Other changes in the revised attachment are as follows:

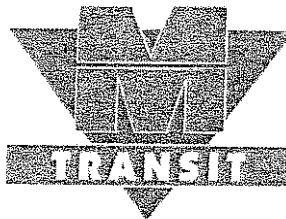
Route 91: improve peak headway from 30 to 15 minutes	Implementation date: 2004
Route 91: improve midday and weekend headway from 60 to 30 minutes	Implementation date: 2004
Route 91: extend alternate trips to Aventura to be called Route 99	Implementation date: 2004

Route 500: a new Metrobus route that will be implemented to replace the overnight Metrorail which is being recommended for discontinuation due to low ridership. The new Route 500 would operate along the Metrorail corridor, every 60 minutes, seven days a week, connecting all other overnight bus routes.

Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

C: Carlos F. Bonzon, Ph.D., P.E.

**MIAMI-DADE**



**MEMORANDUM**

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**TO:** Chairperson and Members, Citizens  
Independent Transportation Trust (CITT)      **DATE:** January 29, 2004

**FROM:** Roosevelt Bradley, Director  
Miami-Dade Transit      **SUBJECT:** Bus Service Improvement Five-  
Year Action Plan

*Roosevelt Bradley for*

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**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Citizen's Independent Transportation Trust (CITT) approve the five-year schedule for the implementation of the attached bus service improvements of the People's Transportation Plan (PTP)

**BACKGROUND**

The PTP Ordinance 02-116, approved on July 9, 2002, included the increase of bus service from 27 million annual miles to approximately 44 million annual miles to be implemented over a five year span. Shortly after the passage of the PTP on November 5, 2002, the County attempted to accelerate the PTP bus service improvements to implement all improvements within three years. Since the three-year plan was never incorporated in the PTP ordinance, it was brought to the CITT and approved at the June 23, 2003 meeting.

In my December 1, 2003 memorandum to the CITT Chairperson and members, MDT requested approval for select bus service improvements scheduled to start on December 7, 2003. The CITT granted this approval at the December 3, 2003 meeting. Included in this memorandum was information that the County had determined that the three-year plan was having a negative impact on the department's budget and it became necessary to revert to the original five-year plan for a more efficient implementation of bus service improvements. In fiscal year 2003, 4.5 million revenue miles of bus service were added to the system. The completion of the 44 million miles of bus service would be accomplished as follows:

FY 2004 – 2.1 million annualized revenue miles  
FY 2005 – 3.3 million annualized revenue miles  
FY 2006 – 3.6 million annualized revenue miles  
FY 2007 – 3.5 million annualized revenue miles

The attached list of bus service improvements for the five-year plan shows the improvements in chronological order of implementation with a description of the improvement, commission district served, and the year to be implemented. It was anticipated that bus service provided by municipalities would count towards the total miles of service countywide. We are in the process of evaluating transportation plans submitted by municipalities to explore this possibility. Staff is in the process of computing the number of transit service miles added to each commission district since the beginning of fiscal year 2003.

implementation. We will provide this additional information prior to the full CITT board meeting of February 25, 2004.

As reported in my December 1, 2003 memorandum, the Center for Urban Transportation Research (CUTR) and Behavioral Science Research (BSR) are presently conducting a study to comprehensively analyze all bus routes to improve the efficiency and productivity of the transit system. With the Comprehensive Bus Operational Analysis (CBOA), CUTR will provide extensive ridership and performance data, analyze the information, and develop recommendations to be considered by MDT. The existing bus system, as well as the remaining PTP bus service improvements will be evaluated in this project. The CBOA will determine those existing or recently implemented services that are deficient in generating ridership and which proposed PTP improvements are duplicative or need alteration to generate ridership. Initial findings and recommendations from CUTR are expected by this spring with final recommendations submitted before the end of the year. The PTP bus service improvements would be updated from the study's findings and recommendations. We will keep the CITT apprised of the progress of this important study and its impact on the PTP.

The five-year schedule for implementation of the PTP bus service improvements to a 44 million mile system is part of the MDT Business Plan and the PTP Pro Forma Update. We believe we are on solid ground to deliver the People's Transportation Plan in a sound and efficient manner resulting in a bus system that effectively meets the mobility demands of our residents and visitors.

C: Carlos F. Bonzon, Ph.D., P.E.

RESOLUTION NO.

RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS'  
INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST  
(CITT) APPROVING THE BUS SERVICE  
IMPROVEMENT FIVE-YEAR ACTION PLAN;  
AND AMENDING THE PTP TO REFLECT SUCH  
ACTION.

**WHEREAS**, on November 5, 2002, the voters of Miami-Dade County approved a one-half percent surtax to fund the implementation of the People's Transportation Plan (PTP); and

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance 02-116, included an increase in bus service over a five-year period; and

**WHEREAS**, the CITT approved an accelerated three-year plan on June 23, 2003; and

**WHEREAS**, County staff determined that the three-year plan was having a negative impact on the MDT budget, as reported to the CITT in a memorandum dated December 1, 2003; and

**Whereas**, it is necessary to revert back to the original five-year plan that was approved as a part of Ordinance 02-116; and

**WHEREAS**, this Trust desires to accomplish the purposes outlined in the accompanying memorandum, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference,



**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST**, that this Trust approves the five-year schedule of bus service improvements to implement the People's Transportation Plan.

The foregoing resolution was offered by \_\_\_\_\_, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ and upon being put to vote, the vote was as follows:

Honorable John Cosgrove, Chairperson  
Marc A. Buoniconti, Vice Chairperson

Honorable Mike Abrams  
Harold Braynon, Jr.  
Henry Lee Givens  
Thamara Labrousse  
Herminio Lorenzo  
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Rev. Theodore Wilde

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this  
day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2004.

CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT  
TRANSPORTATION TRUST

Approved by County Attorney as  
to form and legal sufficiency \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Executive Director

**PLEASE NOTE:**

Due to its length, the bus service improvement five-year action plan has not been reproduced here in its entirety. For more information about this document, please call 305-375-5194.